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PATENT
Docket No. GC525-2D1

In Re Application:

Jones et al.

Serial No.: 09/938,801

Filed: August 24, 2001

For: **CHEMICALLY MODIFIED MUTANT
ENZYMES AND METHODS FOR
PRODUCING THEM, AND SCREENING
THEM FOR AMIDASE AND/OR
ESTERASE ACTIVITY**

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) Group Art Unit: 1652

) Examiner: Hutson, Richard G.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's requirement that a single elected species be elected, Applicants hereby elect the invention in Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a method for screening chemically modified mutant enzymes for amidase and/or esterase activity, classified in class 435, subclass 19.

Applicants reserve the right to file subsequent applications claiming the non-elected subject matter and do not waive any of their rights or abandon any non-elected subject matter. Applicants have fully and completely responded to the Office Action and have made the required election. This application is now in order for early action.

Respectfully submitted,

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